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Dear Law graduate students

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON COURSE REGISTRATION FOR SEMESTER 1, AY2026/2027

1. This circular from NUS Law is in addition to the one on course registration sent by the Office of the University Registrar.
2. **Compulsory courses** will be pre-allocated to you, thus you do not have to register for them.
3. **LC5337/LC5337S Singapore Common Law of Contract** will be pre-allocated to you if you have completed your law degree in a non-Common Law jurisdiction, are enrolled in any of the following programmes, and are not eligible for exemption*:

- LLM without specialization
- LLM (Asian Legal Studies)
- LLM (Corporate & Financial Services Law)
- LLM (Intellectual Property & Technology Law)
- LLM (International & Comparative Law)
- LLM (International Business Law)
- LLM (Maritime Law)

**Not eligible for exemption = did not apply for exemption or application for exemption was unsuccessful*

4. **PhD students** need not participate in course registration. Instead, please submit your Elective course options by **9am on Thursday, 23 July 2026, using this [survey form](#)**. You may find the tips below and on the following pages helpful.
5. **Juris Doctor, LLM, and Graduate Diploma** students will use the [CourseReg](#) system to register for Elective courses. You are responsible for completing your own registration through the relevant online systems within the stipulated timelines. The tips below and on the following pages may be helpful.
6. **Student Record with “🚫 or Hold”**
 - A “Hold” is a Negative Service Indicator (NSI) that will prevent students from receiving certain services including not being allowed to view exam results and register for courses. Students must settle the outstanding issues before the “Hold” status may be released, usually within one to three days from settlement. To find out if your student record has a “Hold” status, log into [myEduRec](#) ([video guide](#)).
 - Your graduation may be delayed if you are not able to participate in course registration. The Law Faculty is unable to assist in releasing the “Hold” status.
7. **APAD (Academic Plan Application & Declaration)**
 - Law graduate students are **not required** to do this.

8. **Tips on Registering for Courses** (also refer to resource guides from page 3 of this document)
- a) Understand your programme requirements (Compulsory and Elective courses to read, the total course units required for graduation).
 - b) Take note of the workload that you are allowed to read/register in each semester.
 - c) Register for courses using the correct course code.
 - d) Understand the structure and registration conditions of the special types of Law courses.
 - e) Understand the registration procedure for cross-faculty courses if you plan to read such a course.
 - f) Take note of the quota available for courses and the priority in allocation during course registration.
 - g) Draw up your study and contingency plans (course prerequisites and preclusions, courses to register in that semester, class and assessment timetables, back-up plans should there be no more vacancies).
 - h) Familiarise yourself with the use of the CourseReg system.
 - i) Register for courses in the relevant rounds and within the given timelines.
9. **For questions related to course syllabus, prerequisite and preclusion**, please directly consult the respective Course Convenors and copy the email to lawgrad@nus.edu.sg. Note that they will not be able to assist with issues such as course registration, appeals and change in class size.
10. **When corresponding** with the faculties and other NUS offices, please **use your NUS email account and include your student ID** (the A-series number) in order for us to verify your identity and better assist you. **Please keep your message concise.**
11. **All academic-related requests for approval (except for those related to CourseReg appeals and workload)** must be submitted to the Vice Dean (Graduate Studies) at lawgrad@nus.edu.sg **by 9am on Friday, 17 July 2026.**

Warmest regards,
Office of Academic Affairs
NUS Law

(Resource Guide)

TIPS ON REGISTERING FOR COURSES

a) Programme Requirements

The list of Compulsory and Elective courses and the total course units to complete within the normal candidature can be found at:

Juris Doctor	https://law1a.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/grad_prog/jd_deg_reqm.html
LLM	https://law1a.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/grad_prog/reginfo_llm.html
Graduate Diploma in Maritime Law & Arbitration	https://law.nus.edu.sg/nuslawacademy/certificate-programmes/graduate-diplomas/gdmla/#programme-structure
PhD	https://law1a.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/grad_prog/reginfo_llm.html (Research Programmes section)

b) Workload Per Semester

Students are only allowed to register for course units within the range specified below in any semester:

Programme	Fulltime student	Parttime student
Juris Doctor (2-year programme)	As per study plan	NA
Juris Doctor (3-year programme)	As per study plan	NA
LLM	17 – 23 units	9 – 13 units
Graduate Diploma in Maritime Law & Arbitration	15 – 19 units in Semester 1 5 units in Semester 2, excluding GCIA	9 – 10 units
PhD	5 – 15 units	NA

- Students are responsible for making sure that they register for sufficient course units within the given range in each semester to ensure timely graduation. They are not allowed to underload (register less than minimum units stipulated in the table) or overload (register more than maximum units stipulated in the table) in any semester without permission and valid academic reason.
- The CourseReg system does not allow students to register for more than the maximum workload permitted. **Students who wish to overload must submit an appeal in CourseReg, stating their reasons, and the appeal will be subject to approval.** They should also indicate the new total workload requested. For example, if the total number of units for all courses they wish to register for is 25, they should enter 25. Appeals that are approved but reflect an incorrect total workload requested cannot be processed.
- LLM students** should note that, although they may register for up to 23 units in each semester, they must ensure that the total number of units registered over the course of their candidature does not exceed 44 units. **Any excess units registered will be excluded from graduation requirements and GPA calculations, and students may be required to drop the affected courses.**

c) Course Codes

- Please register for, or submit an appeal for, the correct course code. Incorrect course codes will not be recognised for graduation, and appeals submitted using the wrong course code will be rejected, which may delay the appeal process.

Programme	Compulsory Course Code	Elective Course Code
Juris Doctor	LCJ5xxx	LLJ5xxx
LLM	LC5xxx	LL5xxx
Graduate Diploma in Maritime Law & Arbitration	LCD5xxx	LLD5xxx
PhD	LC6xxx	LL6xxx

- Tutorial group for Compulsory courses, if any, will be pre-allocated to students unless otherwise communicated.

d) Special Types of Law Courses

- Intensive Course (4 units)
 - Taught by [Visiting Faculty](#), the general teaching structure and course add/drop deadlines can be found at https://law1a.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/ay2627/infoall.html.
 - Each student may read up to two Intensive Courses per semester (i.e. one in each Phase) and are encouraged to register for them.
- Super-Intensive Course (2.5 units)
 - The general teaching structure and course add/drop deadlines can be found at https://law1a.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/ay2627/infoall.html.
 - Each student may read up to two Super-Intensive courses per semester. **Students enrolled in LLM (International Arbitration & Dispute Resolution) are required to read at least two such courses during their candidature and should register for them in Round 1.**
 - Courses offered this academic year include:
 - Semester 1
 - LL5383Z/ LL5J383Z/LL6383Z International Arbitration & the New York Convention
 - LL5359Z/LLJ5359Z/LL6359Z SIAC and Institutional Arbitration
 - Semester 2:
 - LL5361Z/LLJ5361Z/LL6361Z Complex Arbitrations: Multiparty – Multicontract
 - LL5360Z/LLJ5360Z/LL6360Z Current Challenges to Investment Arbitration

- Clinic and Moots-related Courses
 - These require separate applications and will only be allocated upon approval. Refer to the [relevant course webpage](#) for prerequisite and application process:
 - LL5033V/LLJ5033V International Legal Process
 - LLJ5094V The Pro Bono Family Law Litigation Clinic
 - LLJ5094AV The Corporate Law Clinic
 - LLJ5094CV The Access to Justice Low Bono Litigation Clinic
 - LLJ5094DV The Pro Bono Criminal Law Litigation Clinic
 - LL5094EV The Capital Offences Criminal Litigation Clinic
 - LLJ5094FV The Evolving Legal Landscapes Clinic
 - **Some clinic courses do not allow students to drop the course after enrolment.** Students should therefore carefully consider their commitment before applying.
 - **Juris Doctor** students who are not eligible to read Elective courses in this semester are **required to seek prior approval** by writing to lawgrad@nus.edu.sg before embarking on any of the following:
 - Take part in Moots competitions;
 - Register for LLJ5033V International Legal Process;
 - Register for LLJ5203 International Moots and Other Competitions.

e) Registering for Cross-faculty Courses

- These are courses offered by other faculties/departments in NUS and are registered using “[Submit Course Requests](#)” function in CourseReg. Please refer to the [CourseReg schedule](#) to find out when this feature will be available. Note that some faculties/departments may levy a modular course fee.
- Students who wish to **take such courses for enrichment** should first prioritise courses that fulfil their programme requirements.
 - If they still have room within their workload for the semester and within the total number of course units allowed under their programme, they may consider taking a cross-faculty course for enrichment.
 - Courses taken for enrichment, and their course units, cannot be counted towards programme requirements.
- Students who wish to **take such courses as part of their programme requirements** must first seek approval by submitting the [Application for Cross-Faculty Course form](#).
 - If the application is approved, they may proceed to register for the course in CourseReg, provided they still have room within their semester workload and places are available in the course.
 - Students must ensure that they are able to meet their programme requirements with the approved cross-faculty course.
 - Any unapproved course that is registered for or completed may be dropped or excluded from the total course units.

f) Course Quota & Priority in Allocation of Law Elective Courses During Registration Rounds

- The total quota (class size) for most courses (across all Academic Careers) is 50 and the balance available after each round will be updated at NUS Law Course Registration Information [website](#) (under “Overall vacancy”).
- Course allocation during CourseReg will be based on the following:

Priority 1	a. PhD, GraDipMLA and Undergraduate DDP students – All courses selected will be allocated. b. LLM with Specialisation students except LLM (IBL) – Priority allocation will be given for up to 15 units (within the area of specialization) required to fulfill the specialisation requirement. Priority will be given to students in this category only during Round 1.
Priority 2	a. LLM without Specialisation, Juris Doctor, Undergraduate and Undergraduate Exchange students. b. LLM with Specialisation students (except LLM (IBL)) selecting courses outside their areas of specialisations.

g) Planning Courses and Timetables

- Courses offered: https://law1a.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/course_listings.html
- Timetables: https://law1a.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/ay2627/timetable.html
- NUS Mods: <https://nusmods.com>
- **Important notes:**
 - Students must ensure that they meet the specific prerequisites and do not have any applicable preclusions before registering for a course. **Students will not be able to register for courses if they do not meet the stated prerequisite(s) or if they have already passed a course listed as a preclusion. Students are also not permitted to take courses that are substantially similar to courses completed before their current graduate programme.** Any affected course may have to be dropped, and the required units must be made up with other courses.
 - **For courses with prerequisites that may not correspond directly to qualifications held by some students**, e.g. H2-level Mathematics or GCE ‘A’ Level Chinese, please write directly to the Course Convenor with supporting documents to seek approval. Thereafter, submit an appeal in CourseReg under “Unable to Fulfill Requisite” and upload the approval email for processing.
 - Students are **not allowed to register for courses with clashes in class or final examination timetables**. When planning their semester workload and timetable, they should also consider the frequency, weightage, and submission deadlines of assignments for each course. **Students who register for courses with overlapping or closely scheduled deadlines are expected to manage their own time accordingly.**

- The Timetable and Course Planner functions in NUSMods are useful planning tools, but the timetables shown for Law courses may sometimes be incomplete or outdated. These tools also do not check for clashes in take-home examination or research paper deadlines. Students are strongly encouraged to verify course timetables against those published on the Law website.
- Please take note of the following guidelines:
 - General grading guidelines for Law courses
https://law1a.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/grad_prog/law_grading.html
 - Examination guidelines for Law graduate programmes
https://law1a.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/grad_prog/assessment_examinations.html
 - Students may incur additional costs if they are required to return for additional semesters to complete their programme requirements.

h) Course Registration using CourseReg

Students are expected to familiarise themselves with the use of the system by referring to the following resources:

- CourseReg workflow and functions
https://nus.edu.sg/coursereg/using_coursereg_graduate.html
- User guide, video tutorials and FAQs
<https://nus.edu.sg/coursereg/resources.html>
- Timelines to submit appeals
<https://nus.edu.sg/coursereg/schedule-and-timeline.html>
- Vacancies available after each round of registration
https://law1a.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/ay2627/infoall.html
- Deadlines to add/drop courses (especially for Special Types of Law courses)
https://law1a.nus.edu.sg/student_matters/ay2627/infoall.html

i) CourseReg Timelines

There are three rounds of course registration, each with different priorities for different groups of Law students:

Schedule	For students from	To register for	Course allocation basis
Round 1 9am, 20 July – 12pm, 21 July	LLMs with specialisation, GradDipMLA	Only Electives from student's own specialisation group	All courses selected (but only up to 15 units for LLM)
Round 2 9am, 28 Jul – 12pm, 29 July	LLMs with specialisation	Only Electives outside student's own specialisation group	Quota sharing based on student cohort proportion
	LLM without specialisation, JD eligible to read Electives	Electives from ALL specialisation groups	

Schedule	For students from	To register for	Course allocation basis
Round 3 9am, 3 August – 12pm, 4 August	All LLMs, JD eligible to read Electives	Electives from ALL specialisation groups	Combined quota (with priority for JD)
Select Tutorials – Applicable only to students enrolled in courses that have tutorials with more than one tutorial group			
Round 1:	9am-5pm, 11 August		
Round 2:	9am-5pm, 13 August		
Add/Swap Tutorials:	9am-5pm, 17 August		

- The “Student’s Seniority” in the Priority Scoring Rubrics for CourseReg is not applicable to Law graduate students as they only read Elective courses in one (final) semester/year of their candidature.
- **Students who miss any Round or are not allocated with a preferred course in earlier round/s will join the next available round** and register for courses that are available in that next round. Note that there will be less quota available after each round, thus it is advisable to plan for contingency.
- **LLM students are advised to select as many Elective courses as possible within the given workload per semester** in case they are not successful in getting a place for the courses ranked at the top.
- **Appeals**
 - All appeals related to course registration should be submitted with clear and concise background and justification in [CourseReg](#). For appeal type and submission timelines, refer to <https://nus.edu.sg/coursereg/schedule-and-timeline.html>.
 - **Do not send any appeals to Course Convenors** as they do not have any discretion to enrol students in their courses.
 - **Do not send appeals to lawgrad@nus.edu.sg** as they will not be processed.
 - **Do not send email to lawgrad@nus.edu.sg about the appeals submitted in CourseReg** as this will only flood the mailbox and delay processing. Faculty administrators will already be notified when appeals are submitted.
 - There will be **no further quota updates after the vacancy report for Round 3 is published**, as the numbers may continue to change during the appeals process.
- **Auditing a Course**
 - Students who wish to audit a course, i.e. attend classes without registering for it, should seek prior approval from the Course Convenor to sit in on the classes and to obtain “Guest Student” access to the course Canvas page.
 - Students auditing a course will not participate in the graded assessments.

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